## Sustainable INL News

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## **Ten Year Site Plan: Incorporating Sustainability**

his past July, the INL Ten Year Site Plan (TYSP) was approved, published, and released. The document is well written, easy to follow, and provides a vision for the lab over the next ten years. Everyone knows the focus of the lab is three core areas: Nuclear Energy, National and Homeland Security, and Energy and Environment. But did you know that the TYSP has an entire appendix devoted to sustainability? This issue is so important that at a recent dinner meeting, Dave Hill, BEA Deputy Lab Director talked about maintaining and upgrading our physical facilities to ensure success of the lab.

Here are some of the highlights of the sustainability appendices.

- Apply social, environmental, and resource responsible approaches to planning and operations.
- Integrate sustainable considerations into business decisions across the company through BEA's established environmental

policy, environmental management system, and governance model.

- Establish sustainability as central to ongoing success as a company. Sustainability is part of what makes BEA a smart, responsible company and is tied directly and increasingly to financial performance.
- Connect to critical stakeholders in government, the sustainable community, and the private sector to create future opportunities.
- Encourage management support for outreach and partnership opportunities for sustainable leadership.
- Through INL research, meet the growing demand for more energy-efficient products with associated sustainability benefits.
- Implement sustainable office practices among employees to reduce paper usage and conserve energy, and provide access to visual dashboards to track progress and communicate sustainable metrics in clear, accessible language.

- Foster among management a comprehensive, customized program of sustainable practices designed to create positive change.
- Elevate sustainability in company governance through direct LMT oversight and accountability over environmental and social issues, more diversity and special expertise on councils, and executive and other employee compensation linked to sustainability goals.
- Require LMT participation in robust, regular dialogues with key stakeholders (including employees, unions, suppliers, and clients) on sustainability challenges.
- Maintain open reporting on sustainability strategies, goals, and accomplishments.
- Incorporate systematic performance improvements to achieve environmental neutrality and other sustainability goals across the entire laboratory, including operations, supply-

chain, and research and development.

Next month, we will provide progress on how we did in FY 2010.

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